A Doctor's Discomfort In a Righ Place

Some of the patients of one of the prominent physicians in Dorchester are etting well pretty rapidly these days ander the influence of a joke which they have recently heard regarding their Æsculapius It seems that this doctor has a horror of high places and is always dizzy when on lofty buildings. Not long ago some relatives from England visited him and suggested a trip to Banker Hill, and, in common with about one-half of the population of Boston, the doctor was not only forced to acknowledge that he had never been to the top of the monument, but was obliged to accompany his guests to the summit of the granite shaft. It cannot be ascertained whether the persons whom they found there had ever heard of the doctor before, but he had not been there many minutes when one of the strangers was heard to remark that the sun had such an influence on the monument that on warm days it warped it. This was enough for the doctor, and, with a parting remark that he would see his friends at the base, he beat a hasty retreat, going down, it is said, four steps at a time and not feeling safe until he had run out in the lawn about the monument has enough to get out of the way in case it fell. The joke of it all is that the doctor, in a state of absentmindedness told the story himself, and now. much to his chagrin, his patients are laughing themselves into good health. -Boston Traveller.

Many cases of "Grippe" have lately been cured by One Minute Cough Cure. This preparation seems especialadapted to the cure of this disease. It acts quickly thus preventing serious complications and bad effects in which this disease often leaves the patient. W. H. Rennels, St. Louis; B S. Webb,

GROWTH.

Blow, winds! Your rage but shakes the tree And roots it surer in its place.

Scatter your rain, ye cloud and free
The buds that wait your frowning graces

Roll down, O river, to the sea And widen in your onward race! Peace through a sunny span may keep His garden in some quiet glen
Whilst others sow for him and reap
And tend his flocks on moor and fen.
The flowers of peace are death and sleep.
The strife of living makes us men.

Ah, joy it is to win the goal By tireless work and dauntless will. Yet may the life rise orbed and whole

From clouded hopes and loss and ill. Our baffled toils upbuild the soul. And failure so is victory still.

-A. St. John Adoock in Spectator

The vegetable ivory of commerce is an all-uminous substance formed from a milky fluid in the fruit of a species of palm indigenous to several parts of Central and South America, but which seems to flourish best in New Granada and Peru. It corresponds to the meat of the cocoanut. which latter is the fruit of another species of palm When vegetable ivory nuts are ripe, they are covered with a brown skin are bean shaped, the interior being perfeetly white and very hard.-St. Louis

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TELEGRAPHY.

Tests Demonstrate That the Morse System Cannot Be Improved.

The Postal Telegraph company made a test a few days ago to determine whether the Morse system of telegraphing is cheaper to operate, taking all things into consideration, than other systems, notably the Wheatstone, that is used in England and to some extent World.

The result was a unanimous verdict that the Morse system as invented more than 50 years ago stands to-day without the change of a dot or a dash or any alteration in the principles of transmission, far ahead of any other sys-

During the test three New York operators sent to Pittsburgh, Pa., 102 messages in 90 minutes, and 200 messages, containing 5,605 words, in three hours. This was an average of 66 2-3 messages per hour. Pittsburgh, however, beat this, sending an average of 68 1-5 messages per hour.

These messages were taken in the regular course of business, and the result, while not equaling the fastest individual bursts of speed for a few minutes, exceeds previous records of its kind. The company then took into consideration the cost of transmission, salary of operators, accuracy of work, time consumed and all other factors entering into telegraphy. These were compared with similar results in other systems, and the decision was wholly in favor of the Morse system, that is today an unchanged monument to the great American inventor.

THE FIGHTING EDITORS.

Where the Sword Is Mightler Than the Pen.

I remember calling at the office of a great Parisian newspaper with a friend who wished to have rectified a statement published in it concerning him, says a writer in the Cornhill Magazine. When our business was made known we were ushered into a handsomely furnished room on the first floor. Seated at desks, without a trace of pens, ink or paper or of anything in a literary way except some new novels, together with a few packages of cigarettes, were two gentlemen, whose appearance made a considerable impression on me.

They were faultlessly dressed in deep black (the duelist's color). Each had the ribbon of the legion in his buttonhole, their long, jet-black mustaches were waxed out to a point as fine as a needle's and there was in their whole manner, their voices, their gestures and the expression of their eyes and mouths an indescribable something that proclaims the man who at one time or another has worn a uniform. These were the fighting editors, with whom evidently the pen is not mightier than the sword. They were civil, however, and consented to the rectification of the paragraph. As fighting was their trade, they looked at it in a purely business way and only went out when the demands made were too unreasonable to be entertained. I fancy that they sometimes fought in defense of articles they had never even seen.

WASHINGTON HOTELS.

auguration Week.

Washington at inauguration time houses 100,000 visitors. When it is remembered, remarks the Illustrated American, that the town has only about 230,000 inhabitants, of which 80,000 are negroes, it will be seen that visitors during the inauguration week are packed like herrings in a barrel. It repeats every four years the experiences of cities many times its size that secure national conventions-and then wish they hadn't. The hotel accommodations of Washington are very large for a town of its size, and the business is extremely profitable, hotel failures being rare. Once every four years a boom period may be counted upon, which lasts not only during the inauguration week. but for several weeks thereafter. This puts even the shaky hotels on their legs for that year. Hotel quarters are engaged long in advance of March 4, but people of a certain class are always sure, by some sort of occultism, to get a room. The hotel keepers are far-sighted and long-headed. They have an eye to future custom, and they know that a man who has come on to Washington unprovided with quarters or who has telegraphed late for rooms will remember with gratitude a hotel which takes him in and makes him comfortable.

Causes of Terror.

Prof. G. Stanley Hall, of Clark university, says that thunder and lightning cause terror to more children than any other one thing, and following in the order named come reptiles, strangers, darkness, fire, death, domestic animals' disease, wild animals, water, ghosts, insects, rats and mice, robbers, and high winds. It is pleasant to notice that the fear of ghosts comes very low on the list. Some special forms of dread are to be found in all parts of the country. For instance, the thought of high winds excites no alarm in the east, while in the cyclone states it is a common cause of apprehension.

The Pneumatophor.

A highly ingenious apparatus called the "pneumatophor" has been invented at Vienna. Its object is to enable miners, firemen and others to breathe without difficulty when surrounded by after damp, smoke from fires or other noxious fumes. In its satchel ready for use, it weighs only four kilogrammes, furnishes sufficient air for three-quarters of an hour, and has been subjected to severe tests by the Vienna fire department and in Silesian coal mines. with the utmost success.

Ellot's Indian Bible. It is asserted by typographical aupersons are able to read it.

Business Rush

Take a run over to London and there try to do business before 10 and 11 in the morning, and learn how impossible it will be, because the Englishman is thoroughly imbued with the idea that business is an incident of and not the sole aim and end of life. There is no nation of the world wherein work is regarded as it is with us; no other nation in this country, says the New York They "work that they may live;" they 'lives that it may work," as we do. thoroughly live while they live. We toil and slave that we may leave money to those who, because of our very work, will not inherit the vital strength to

properly utilize and enjoy it. Individual exceptions might seem to negative our assertion, but we are not dealing with individuals, but our nation as a whole, and as a whole we fear not contradiction of the assertion that the great American nervous system is in a deplorable condition of prostration, and that this lamentable condition of affairs has been the direct outcome of our methods of work, particularly during the past 30 years. - New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Circumventing Them.

Before Bismarck reconstructed the map of Europe, and made a united Germany, a dozen little principalities used to annoy travelers by retaining them at their frontiers until they had satisfied the custom house demands.

A Yankee once had his carriage stopped at the frontier of a petty prince's country. The herr ober-controleur at the custom house came forward, and, much to his indignation, was received in a nonchalant way. The Yankee was ungentlemanly enough not to get out of the carriage, nor even take off his hat. The herr ober sharply demanded the keys of the tourist s trunks, which his subordinate began handling roughly.

"Here, hands off!" shouted the Yankee. "I didn't come from the United States of America to be controlled by you. Pet those trunks back. I'll not go through you at all. I'll turn back. I'm in no hurry, and don't mind losing a few hours. You're no country, you're only a spot. I'll go round you." And he did .-- Strand Magazine.

The Telephone Ear.

It is somewhat strange that the new malady which has appeared in the Amer ican telephone exchanges is most prevalent in California, while being almost entirely unknown in the eastern states. The fatique of listening continually at the receiver produces a humming in the care. headache, and, finally, abscess of the tympanum. The employee has to rest every three or four hours, and sometimes to cease work altogether for some days. It is not yet explained whether the affection is due to defective apparatus or to overwork Further light on this subject is especially desirable, as it may give most valuable suggestions to aurists who are now treating certain ear affections by sound vibrations produced through the telephone. The idea is favored by some leading practitioners that in many cases abnormal tissues can be stimulated to healthy activity by the concentration upon them of vibrations of exactly suitable pitch and strength. In many of the best equipped telephone exchanges a clever provision has been made for reducing the ear fatigue of the operator by the use of a small electric lamp, which, working in the call wires, indicates "through" and so obviates the voice calls. which are sometimes so irritating to the subscriber as well as wearing on the "central" by their inevitable repetition. - Phuadelphia Record.

That's Different,

"That man causes me no end of annoy ance over a bill." "Why don't you sue him and collect tor"

"Collect it? He's trying to do that "-Chicago Record.

Laminous Animala. Deep down in the water those peculiar soophytes, the umbellula, rear their slender stems, surmounted by a group of polyps, superficially resembling the lily encrinites of a bygone age. In the middle of the eighteenth century a fine species was observed and described, but the specimens were lost, and then for 100 years no more was heard or seen of the genus, till it was again brought to light by the Swedish frigates Ingegered and Gladan. Soon afterward the Challenger raised the number of known species to half a score. One of these was fished up from a depth of more than 2,000 fathoms, between Cape St. Vincent and Madeira, and "when taken from the trawl the polyps and the membrane covering the hard axis of the stem were so brightly phosphorescent that Captain Maclear found it easy to determine the character of the light by the spectroscope.

It will perhaps be encouraging to those naturalists who are too easily disheartened by failures and mistakes to learn that the celebrated Father Zecchi in the first instance decisively affirmed that the phosphorescent light of animals, viewed by the spectroscope, was monochromatic, whereas in 1872 he was able to determine just the contrary. He then found, by means of improved instruments, that the spectrum was sensibly continuous, not one colored, but compound, with the red and the violet clearly distinguishable. - Blackwood's Magazine.

Professor A .- Do you know I find it dif-Soult to remember the ages of my children? Professor B .- I have no such trouble. I was born 2,300 years after Socrates, my wife 1,800 years after the death of Tiberius Cæsar, our son John 2,000 years after the entrance into Rome of Titus Sempronius Gracehus for the re-enactment of the "leges Licinize," and our Amanda 1,500 years after the beginning of the folk wan-dering—that is perfectly simple, you see. -Fliegende Blatter.

Prof. W. H. Peeke, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cured more cases than any living Physician; his

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"Knows a great deal? I should say so

Why, sir, that man knows almost as much as his 19-year-old daughter, who is in the high school "-Washington Star. Many & the East Indians, particularly

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